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Some Communications from Rome and Paris.

Signor *Borelli*, who is now at *Rome*, pretends to have lighted up-
on a way of building *Gallies* with several Tires of Oars, of dif-
ferent heights, which he esteems to be more convenient, more speed-
y and stronger than those that are now in use. He thinks also, that
he can give an account of the possibility of the Gallies of the An-
cients to a determinat number of tires; and he promises a Treaty
of it, with demonstrations.

There is also at *Rome* a Bowle, which is so counterpoised, that
it can stop of it self upon an inclined plane like *Keplers* watch.
It stops upon all sorts of matter, and even upon a Looking-glass.

Pater *Gottignies* hath undertaken at *Rome* to write an *Algebra* af-
ter a new manner. He gives it the Title of *Logistica universale Ma-
thesi inserviens*. It is to consist of four Books, whereof the first
is already printed.

Monsieur *Blondel* is busie in giving us a new Mapp of *Paris*, which
will be correct, and of the bigness of six foot square. The like is
also doing at *Rome* of that City by Signor *Buffalini*: But both will
require a considerable time to finish them.

There hath been sent to *Paris* the Title of a Book treating of the
Universal Measure; the Author is an Italian, called Signor *Burattini*,
and the Title as followeth: *Misura Universale ovvero Trattato nel
quale si mostra, come in tutti i luoghi del mondo si può trovare una mi-
sura & un peso Universale, senza che habbiano relatione con niun' altra
misura & niun' altro peso, & ad ogni modo in tutti i luoghi saranno li
medesimi & saranno inalterabili & perpetui, sin tanto che durerà il
mondo. La misura si può trovar in un hora di tempo; & questa ci
mostra, quanto grave deve esser il peso. Della questa misura si cava-
no ancora le misure Corporee per misurar le cose aride & liquide.* See
what Monsieur *Christian Hagens* hath said upon this argument in his
Book *De Motu Pendulorum*, prop. 25. p. 151.